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Jnanpith award for Agyeya

Bombay, Feb. 8 [UNI] - Eminent Hindi poet and novelist S.H. Vatsayan "Agyeya" has been selected for the Rs. 100,000 Jnanapith award for 1978.

He has won the award for his collection of poems "Kitni Navon Mein Kitni Bar" [How many times in How many boats] published in 1967.

The selection board of Bhartiya Jnanpith at its meeting here today chose the book as the "best creative writing" from among books published in Indian languages between 1962 and 1971.

Vatsayan is among the foremost Indian writers whose contribution to modern Hindi poetry has been recognised even in international literary circles. Himself a pioneer of the movement of a new trend in Hindi poetry known as "Prayogvad" [experimentalism], he has inspired a whole generation of Hindi poets who have made a mark for themselves through the series of anthologies edited by him. Among his published works are 14 collections of poems, 11 collections of short stories, 3 novels, 10 collections of essays and literary criticism, several travelogues and a play.

Vatsayan has also edited Hindi journals like Dinaman, Pratik, Nakshi, and English periodicals Vak and Everyman's Weekly. At present he is editor of the Hindi daily Navbharat Times.

Don't hang Bhutto:Gandhi

New Delhi, Feb. 9 [UNI] - Former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi has blamed the present regime in Pakistan for recreating a lot of problems with India like raising the Kashmir bogey and going in for wholesale purchase of sophisticated arms which can only be used against India.

In an interview with Herald, a Karachi magazine, Mrs. Gandhi reiterated that hanging former Pakistan Prime Minister Z.A. Bhutto would not be fair. Political vendetta in any form against anybody is bad, there is no change in our view of Mr. Bhutto.

The interview was tape-recorded here by the Herald correspondent on Republic Day.

Mrs. Gandhi said it was wrong to suggest that the relations between India and Pakistan had improved only during the Janata rule. "The process of normalisation of relationship with Pakistan began much before and it was during the Congress rule that bilateral agreements were signed in terms of resumption of trade, air flights, communication and rail links."

Chikmagalur seat vacant

New Delhi, Feb. 10 (UNI) - Chief Election Commissioner S.L. Shakdher held the Chikmagalur Lok Sabha seat vacant, ruling that the expulsion of Mrs. Indira Gandhi meant simultaneous vacation of her seat.

Mr. Shakdher, however, indicated that he would wait for some time before initiating action to hold a by election to fill the vacancy.

Two election petitions challenging Mrs. Gandhi's November 5 election are pending before the Karnataka High Court.

The Commission, Mr. Shakdher said, might "reasonably wait" for at least six months for the disposal of a petition, although there was no specific provision in the law restraining it from proceeding with steps to fill a vacancy.

Mrs. Gandhi

Exchange value of rupee

In recent weeks the international currency market has been characterised by wide fluctuations in exchange rate of several major currencies. With a view to imparting a measure stability to the exchange rate of rupee and India's international transactions, the Government of India has reviewed the working of exchange rate arrangements under which the exchange rate of rupee is determined with reference to the daily exchange rate of countries which are India's major trading partners.

Accordingly, the Government of India has issued on January 30 an order in accordance of which the value of the Indian rupee will be maintained within a wider margin of five per cent "as against the existing margin of 2.25 per cent" on either side in terms of a suitably weighted currency basket. The intervention currency will continue to be pound sterling and the Reserve Bank will fix the buying and selling rates for pound sterling adjusting them from time to time in conformity with the above policy.

The middle rate of Rs. 16.50 per pound sterling announced on December 20, 1978, remains unchanged for the present.

Documentary on Punjab poet

New Delhi [IBS] - The Films Division of the Government of India has decided to do a colour documentary on Shiv Batalvi, described as the "Dylan Thomas of Punjab" who died six years ago at the young age of 36.

The first Punjabi literary figure to be so honoured, Shiv's literary works include seven volumes of haunting poems and songs, and a verse drama "Loona" dealing with the infatuation of a youthful woman for her step-son.

The task of producing the documentary has been entrusted to Balwant Gargi, noted Punjabi playwright and film maker and a personal friend of Shiv, who was also the youngest person to receive the Sahitya Akademi award.

Famous Punjabi singers like Surinder Kaur, Nooran and Madan Bala Sandhu will participate in the film as they sang for the poet in his lifetime.

Two congresses form panel

New Delhi, Feb. 8 (UNI) - A joint six-member "informal" committee has been set up by the president of the two Congress parties to work out the modalities for reunification, it is learnt.

The setting up of the committee comprising three members from each side was decided upon at the meeting yesterday between Congress President Swaran Singh and Congress (I) President Indira Gandhi at Mrs. Gandhi's residence.

The Congress (I) leaders of the committee are: NFarasimha Rao, Mir Qasim and A.R. Antulay. The Congress President's nominees in the committee are: V.P. Naik, Mohan Lal Sukhadia and K.C. Pant.

The committee has already held two meetings since yesterday spread over six hours. It is likely to submit its report to the two presidents in a week or so.

The report of the joint committee may be discussed by the working committees of the two parties separately early next month.

Subsequently, a joint meeting of the two working committees may be held to give final approval to the agreed modalities and elect an interim president for the United Congress.

It is understood that a pre-split AICC may be convened later to ratify the election of the interim president or to elect a new President.

Khomeini likes India

New Delhi, Feb. 9 (UNI) - An Indian relative and emissary of Ayatullah Khomeini said today that the Iranian Shia leader is favourably disposed to India.

"We have long standing relations," said Maulana Ali Nasir Abaqati, who met the 78-year-old exiled opponent of the Shah in Paris. "I have been his religious representative here since 1971", when the present Ayatullah succeeded Aytullah Hakim.

Maulana Abqati, 33, told UNI the Ayatullah seemed happy to hear that the Indian people sympathised with his struggle.

The Maulana, who heads a family of Shia divines in Lucknow to which Ayatullah Khomeini belongs, is currently in New Delhi meeting India's ruling and opposition leaders.

He has met, among others, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, Industry Minister George Fernandes and Madhu Limaye, MP, and conveyed to them the Ayatullah's request to "stand by my oppressed people."

Maulana Abaqati suggested that India establish an informal link with Mr. Khomeini.

"I appeal to you (Indian people), the Maulana quoted the Ayatullah as having stated", to stand by my oppressed people and extend to them your sympathy and persuade your Government to support them.

New HC arrives

General T.N. Raina, former India's Chief of Army Staff, and High Commissioner-designate of India to Canada, accompanied by his wife, arrived in Ottawa today [February 5] to take up his assignment. General Raina succeeds Mahboob Ahmad, who left Ottawa some weeks back, on retirement from India's Foreign Service.

General Tapishwar Narain Raina was born in January 1921 and was commissioned in the Army in 1942. During World War II he saw active service in the Middle East, Burma and the Far East. From 1948 to 1962 he held several important command, staff and instructional appointments in India and abroad.

In 1962, General Raina was awarded the Maha Vir Chakra. After completing the National Defence College Course in 1964, he was posted as Brigadier General Staff of a Corps. In January 1966, he was promoted to the rank of Major General and commanded an infantry division in an operational area until 1968.

In October 1971, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General. Later he was awarded the Padma Bhushan for meritorious service.

General Raina was appointed the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Western Command on 26 October 1973. He took over as Chief of the Army Staff on 1 June 1975 in the rank of General.

Inquiry into ashram favoured

Pune, Feb. 14 (UNI) - Prime Minister Morarji Desai has said that a commission of inquiry may be appropriate to investigate the activities of the Rajneesh Ashram here.

"If Mr. Rajneesh would like this to be done he had better write to me", the Prime Minister said in a letter. He pointed that it had not come to his notice that Mr. Rajneesh had expressed any willingness for the setting up of such a commission.

The letter sent in reply to one from MA Yoga Laxmi, managing trustee of the Rajneesh foundation, was released by the foundation here.

Bhagwan Rajneesh, as he is known to his followers, has attracted a lot of adverse publicity in the press recently because of the alleged rituals at his Ashram.

Morarji Desai

The godman has denied the charge. The allegations refer to the "group therapy sessions" involving foreigners at his Ashram. These, according to Ashram authorities, are not open to Indians. Film actor Vinod Khanna is the exception to the rule.

Anti-unity group active

New Delhi, Feb. 9 (UNI) - The anti-unity group in the Congress, led by former Congress President D.K. Barooah and K.P. Unnikrishnan, both MPs, submitted a requisition to their Party President Swaran Singh for holding an AICC session to discuss the unity issue.

At a Press conference they claimed that the notice, addressed to the Congress Working Committee, was signed by 80 elected members of the AICC.

The Congress President was bound under the party constitution to call such a session as the requisitinists were more than 20 per cent of the total elected strength as required.

Mr. Swaran Singh later told newsmen that he was studying the requisition and would call a meeting of the CWC at a suitable time to discuss it. He, however, added that the matter was not so urgent that a CWC meeting should be called soon.

Mushrooms as cancer cure

New Delhi, (UNI) - Mushroom may provide the cure for cancer.

Japanese scientists are trying to extract an enzyme from mushroom which, they feel, will help combat cancer, according to All India Mushroom Growers' Association President Amarinder Singh.

Mr. Singh, a leading Mushroom grower in Himachal Pradesh, said a survey showed that the incidence of cancer was less in areas where mushroom consumption was high.

In India, mushroom production for profit was a recent development. A UNDP-aided project in Himachal Pradesh was helping small farmers to take to mushroom cultivation as an additional source of income.

Experts feel India can become an important mushroom producing country since its cultivation was labour-intensive.

Thanks to some recent research efforts, cultivation of mushrooms was catching up in many states.

The nutritional value of mushroom is said to be very high. It is rich in proteins, minerals and essential amino acids. "It is better than even meat, because it has no fat content," according to a Mushroom grower.

Indo-Saudi cooperation

New Delhi, Feb. 9 (UNI) - India and Saudia Arabia have agreed to strengthen their relations and increase the areas of economic cooperation.

At a meeting of Jeddah Crown Prince Fahad of Saudi Arabia and Industries Minister George Fernandes discussed a wide range of bilateral and international subjects.

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Helpless official

Bombay (IBS) - A young officer in the Maharashtra prohibition and excise department has had to resign because he found it difficult to do his job without being corrupt.

Son of a freedom fighter, 28-year old Vijay Deshpande told the Minister of State for Home Bhai Vaidya that he joined the service in September 1975 with determination not to take bribes, but found within a short time that honesty would cost him his job.

Later he consulted Janata leader S.M. Joshi and other well-wishers who advised him to accept bribes but he maintained proper accounts of money which he placed in a bank locker. He had collected about Rs. 9,000 as his share in the last four months, he said.

Informing the Minister of his resignation, Deshpande sought his protection and wanted to know what he should do with the money.

Complimenting him, the Minister assured Deshpande of the required protection and referred the case to the police for inquiry.

Coop airline started

New Delhi, (UNI) - About 12 unemployed pilots have formed a cooperative airline for the first time in India with one aircraft bought from Sanjay Gandhi at Rs. 85,000.

According to Subhash Saksena, president of this venture named Falcon Air, their aircraft will make the first commercial run in about 20 days for a Madras film studio. The Government had cleared the venture and the aircraft was at present undergoing airworthiness tests, he said.

He said the airways planned to start regular services to Dehra Dun, Kulu and Kota.

Convention opposes unity

Lucknow, Feb. 9 (UINI) - A convention of Congressmen opposing the move for unity with the rival Congress led by Mrs. Indira Gandhi here called upon the rank and file of the Congress party to defeat "all attempts to liquidate the great organisation and hand it over to the same forces which tried to destroy it for their narrow ends."

Those who spoke at the conference, presided over by Triloki Singh, M.P., included Chanderjeet Yadav, Karan Singh, Ram Bahadur, K.P. Unnikrishnan, Raghunath Reddy, Saugat Roy, Mrs. Ambika Soni and Har Kishore Singh, general-secretary of the Bihar Pradesh Congress Committee.

Need to reduce tension

New Delhi, Feb. 8 (UNI) - India and Australia have agreed that there is an urgent need today for both aligned and non-aligned countries to find "positive ways" to reduce tensions and shared the view that this should not be left to the super powers alone.

This was stated in a joint press statement issued at the end of Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser's talks with Prime Minister Morarji Desai. It said been set for the teams for making recommendations, the two sides were expected to go ahead without any delay, Mr. Fraser told a news conference.

The Australian Airline Quantas and Air-India will discuss grounds by which there would be reduction of airfares by the former. This was part of the negotiations the Qantas were holding with countries where the operated.

Indo-Australian ventures

New Delhi, Feb. 10 (UNI) - Experts' teams from India will visit Australia shortly to explore the possibilities of joint ventures in various fields including coal mining, visiting Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser said here.

A team of scientists and technologists will also visit Australia. Although no time limit had

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He said the US plan, the first comprehensive model of its kind, would help understand how existing resources, systems and organisations could be put to use when the need arose.

The Delhi session sponsored by the US Agency of International Development, may be followed up by three more in the Caribbean and elsewhere before the plan is finalised.

Nearly 80 delegates from Bangladesh, Pakistan, Nepal, Afghanistan, Burma, Sri Lanka and the Philippines besides the sponsor and host countries participated.

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Book publishing

New Delhi (IBS) - India, one of the world's largest book publishers, exported 20 million copies of books in 1975-76, mostly in the English language.

Books in Indian languages like Tamil went to Sri Lanka, Mauritius, Singapore and in Gujarati to African countries.

School and college editions are increasingly in demand in some of the developing countries. General books exported include those on religion, philosophy, art, culture and yoga.

During 1976-77, nearly 24,000 new titles were published as compared to about 22,000 in the previous year. Some of the books produced in India compare favourably with the best-sellers in the advanced countries.

There are over 11,000 book publishers in the country. Hindi accounts for nearly 2,500 followed by 1700 publishers in English.

A special feature of the book industry in India is that public sector publishing is conducted on a considerable scale. A large number of books are published through public sector agencies like the Publications Divisions, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, National Book Trust, National Council of Educational Research and Training and the Sahitya Akademi.

Steel know-how for Nigeria

India has offered technical assistance to Nigeria to set up steel plants and also help in development of iron ore. Nigeria is understood to be planning to develop its steel industry rapidly with the financial assistance of West Germany and Japan, reports "Economic Times".

The Indian offer was conveyed to the Nigerian delegation led by the Chairman of the National Nigerian Steel Development Authority, Alhaji Abubakkar Alhaji, when he met Minister of Steel and Mines Biju Patnaik. The Nigerian delegation appeared to have shown keen interest in getting consultancy services. It would like Indian help in civil construction and equipment procurement. The Nigerians were also interested in iron ore mining.

Hindi for higher education

New Delhi (IBS) - The two-day conference of Education Ministers and University Vice-Chancellors of Hindi speaking states has fixed a five year period for complete switch-over to Hindi as medium of instruction for higher education.

This period will include the time required for the training of teachers and production of an adequate number of books for various courses.

As a follow-up measure, the Education Ministry is shortly setting up a committee for implementing the decision taken by Education Ministers of Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Bihar and Haryana and 19 vice-chancellors of the Hindi-speaking region.

The conference asked universities in the Hindi-speaking States to adopt Hindi as medium of instruction for arts, science and commerce courses for the new academic year commencing July this year.

As for professional courses, the conference favoured making Hindi as medium of instruction from July next year. It also suggested that emphasis in the next four years should be on producing books in Indian languages for professional courses such as engineering and medicine.

Janata members suspended

Bangalore (IBS) Feb. 8 - All the 17 Janata members of the Karnataka Legislative Council were suspended for the remainder of the current session by Chairman S. Sivappattar after they continued to stand in their seats chanting: "No inquiry, no proceedings."

They were demanding a judicial inquiry into the widespread looting and arson immediately after Mrs. Indira Gandhi's expulsion from the Lok Sabha and her imprisonment in December, 1978. The Congress Party, led by Mrs. Gandhi, is in power in Karnataka.

While withdrawing, Leader of the Opposition A.K. Subbaiah said they were doing so as a mark of respect to the Chair and would continue their battle outside the House. Two members of the Congress Party, led by Swaran Singh, also walked out saying they were with the Opposition and would boycott the session.

Poll postponement urged

New Delhi, Feb. 10 (UNI) - Former Bharatiya Lok Dal and like-minded followers of Deputy Prime Minister Charan Singh demanded indefinite postponement of Janata Party's organisational elections and scrapping of election in the sectors already completed.

This was conveyed to Prime Minister Morarji Desai by a three-man delegation consisting of Raj Narain, S.N. Mishra and Health and Family Welfare Minister Rabi Ray this afternoon.

The delegation called on the Prime Minister after attending an informal meeting of the delegates who had come here for the now-postponed convention of former BLD and like minded people.

Briefing the Press after the meeting, Raj Narain said, he had apprised the Prime Minister of the feelings of the delegates present at the meeting, presided over by him.

The delegates from different states, now in Delhi unaware of the decision of postponement of the convention, felt that a large number of bogus members had been enrolled in the party's membership drive.

Australia to supply coking coal

New Delhi, Feb. 9 (UNI) - Australia has accepted in principle to supply coking coal on a long-term and stable basis to India for its expanding steel industry.

This emerged out of 75-minutes of talks between Prime Minister Morarji Desai and Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser.

The Indian side included the two Deputy Prime Ministers, Ministers for Steel, Commerce, Energy, Civil Aviation and Education. The Australian Prime Minister was assisted by his High Commissioner in India and his personal advisors.

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EMIGRANTS

From time to time suggestions to the effect that India should impose a tax on emigrants have come up from various "eminent" personalities in India. Such proposals, though not being seriously considered at the present time, are the products of jealous minds, not patriotic ones.

As is well known India has a surplus of skilled people in almost any field and this should be seen as an advantage and be used as such. India is in a position to export part of her human resources in the form of international migrants and its advantages are many.

First, that enables India to earn a huge amount of foreign exchange and the country owes its extremely favourable dollar reserve to those Indians who toil in the snow of Toronto, the hurry-burry of New York, the Fair-busting city of London, the orthodoxy of the Middle East and so on. Already they are remitting millions of dollars to India willingly and voluntarily and why impose an unfair and punitive tax on them, which will fetch only insignificantly small amounts.

Secondly, an exodus of Indians from India has provided much better economic opportunities to those who stay behind because of the money that is flowing in as well as the jobs these people have vacated in India.

Thirdly, it is a socially desirable movement in the sense that social and cultural attitudes conducive to economic development and progress are passed on by these emigrants through their relatives and friends who stay back in India. The progress that Punjab, which exports a large number of its people, has achieved, for example, is in no small measure due to such social and cultural attitudes.

Fourthly, politically also India has gained from such population movements. When any country (e.g. Canada) has a significant number of immigrants from India, India's political importance to that country increases. Also Indian immigrants in the long run can influence that particular country's political attitudes towards their former country by participation in the political process.

In short, ridiculous proposals of the nature that emigrating Indians should be taxed can come out of only sick minds. No sensible government should take such proposals seriously.

Letters

British Airways

Recently I was travelling from Canada to India. I took British Airways from Montreal and landed in London to change my flight. While going through the British immigration I noticed two Asian gentlemen, one Indian and one Pakistani passport holders, who were just passing through or visiting London being treated very differently from other passengers. I felt quite insulted to see my fellow countrymen being treated so badly, even though Canadian and Indian Citizens being members of Commonwealth should be treated the same by British immigration. After seeing this I told myself I will never travel by BRITISH AIRWAYS.

I immediately changed my flight to AIR INDIA.

I would like to suggest to all Indians in Canada, that we should not give economic benefits to a country where our people are not treated well, and why should we not give economic benefits to India, which it fully deserves.

S.S. Mann
Arizona.

Dual Citizenship Committee petitions MPs

(The following letter was sent to each and every member of Indian Parliament on 20th November, 1978)

Dear Member of Parliament:

At a Public meeting held in Ottawa in 1977, the Committee For Dual Citizenship (CDC) was formed with the objective of securing dual citizenship for persons of Indian origin living in Canada. The Canadian government already permits its citizens to retain or acquire citizenship of another country.

Most of the people of Indian origin in Canada are well educated and work as experts in their chosen fields. They came to Canada, in most cases, because of the lack of employment opportunities in India. They have not broken off their links with their Indian homeland; on the contrary, they retain strong social, economic and emotional ties with their families and friends. They send home large and regular remittances which are a significant factor in India's now healthy foreign exchange reserve situation. Persons of Indian origin form the bulk of the tourist traffic to India. They bring in large quantities of gifts with them and buy large quantities of goods and services from the country. Many Indian enterprises, such as Air India, Indian Airlines and travel agencies, providing jobs to many thousands of Indians, owe their growth to the travels of overseas Indians. The overseas Indians are also investing in a large way in Indian industries. These investors bring with them their accumulated savings and valuable skills and experience.

Indians abroad serve as a powerful lobby for India's non-partisan interest. They write letters to the news media whenever the image of India is presented in a distorted fashion. They raise funds whenever the country is afflicted by natural disasters or faces external aggression. They do all this out of an emotional commitment to India. However, this sense of emotional commitment is diluted once they lose their Indian citizenship.

While the Indians abroad strongly desire to maintain their contacts with India, they also want to fully participate in the social and political life of the country in which they live. To do so it is often necessary to become its citizen, as for example, to hold public offices or appointments in the Federal Government of Canada. There are many of Indian origin who now hold senior management positions in the Government of Canada and a few who hold public offices. While the Canadian government permits dual citizenship, India does not. To acquire Canadian citizenship an Indian must give up his native citizenship. Many Indians are reluctant to do this. Their reluctance could be due to many reasons, for example, it jeopardises their property rights in India and, more importantly, involves a sentimental break from India which they find very hard to accept. There is terrible mental anguish and trauma associated with having to give up Indian citizenship and it is unnatural to expect otherwise - there is no emotion stronger than the love of one's country. The Prime Minister of India and the Minister of External Affairs often advise Indians to make a firm commitment to the countries they live in. This would come more easily once they are accorded dual nationality. It is a fallacy to think that dual nationality will prevent overseas Indian from fully committing themselves to the land they live in. The reality is just the opposite. Dual nationality will bring peace of mind and enable them to immediately overcome their reluctance to take up citizenship of the country in which they live. Whatever the reasons, the reluctance of large number of persons of Indian origin to take Canadian citizenship is at a considerable expense to themselves and to the Indian Community here.

India would also benefit if the commitment of overseas Indians to her were not diluted. The Indian economy is at a crucial stage. It presents unprecedented opportunities for continued and self-sustained growth. Perhaps more than anything else, it needs entrepreneurs with both capital and human resources. The overseas Indians possess both of these in good measure.

If the overseas Indians are allowed to retain their Indian as well as another citizenship, they will be encouraged to return to India once they have met the objectives of their stay abroad and bring with them innovative ideas, new technologies and expertise in doing business in India's potentially most rewarding export markets. More importantly they will act as agents of social change within India.

India often sends missions to persuade overseas Indians to return and work in India. These efforts to "reverse the brain drain" are more likely to be successful if India, instead of alienating Indians abroad, reinforced the bonds between them and their native country by allowing dual citizenship.

We have briefly outlined above the benefits of dual citizenship to India and to the overseas Indians.

The Pakistan and Bangladesh Governments have recognized similar advantages in respect of their overseas nationals living in Canada and Europe and have extended them the priviledge of dual citizenship. Britain has always permitted this priviledge to its citizens. We very much hope that you, the honourable member of India's supreme legislative body, will kindly seek a similar treatment for the sons and daughters of India now living in Canada.

It is not necessary that overseas Indians in every country be given this right immediately if there are problems in doing so. It can be given selectively, as for instance to Canada and later extended to other countries as the situation warrants. Bangladesh and Pakistan have chosen precisely this method and we fail to see why India cannot.

During August 1977, we had the priviledge of meeting some of you with the Speaker of the Lok Sabha during your visit to Ottawa in connection with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference. We were grateful for the kind and sympathetic hearing you gave us at that time. Through this letter, we are now bringing our appeal to all of you and trust that you will kindly take the necessary step to amend the Indian legislation to permit dual citizenship to overseas Indians, particularly in Canada. From time immemorial India has firmly believed in the principle, "Basudhaiva Kutumbkam" (universal brotherhood), we certainly hope you will not alienate India's own children now.

For this act of kindness we shall be always grateful.

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Indian economy in good shape

The International Monetary Fund has concluded after an annual inspection that the Indian economy continued to be in good shape and that its overall performance during 1978 was satisfactory, reports PTI. Under Article 4 of the IMF every member-State is obligated to allow IMF officials to visit the country annually and provide a report on the state of the economy.

It is understood from IMF sources that the team, which visited India, in its report noted that the food situation remained good despite reduced reserves and that the balance of payments position continued to be good.

The IMF report found that the balance of payments position was sufficient to offset the deficit in the current account even in respect of 1978-79. It noted that India had repaid all its borrowing from the IMF in July last. The borrowings from the Special Oil Facility created in 1975 to bail out countries affected by the oil price increase had also been cleared by India.

Morarji in Sri Lanka

Prime Minister Morarji Desai paid a 4-day visit to Sri Lanka beginning February 3 at the invitation of President J.R. Jayewardene of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. Prime Minister Desai was the chief guest at the Sri Lanka National Day celebrations held at Kandy on February 4.

During his stay in Sri Lanka, Mr. Desai participated in the inauguration ceremonies of the work on the Kotmale Multipurpose Reservoir Project of the Mahaveli Development Scheme. An Indian firm, the Water and Power Consultancy Services, was associated in preparing the feasibility report for the Kotmale project and this firm was selected by an international agency in competition with similar firms from developed countries.

Among the other engagements of Mr. Desai were visits to Dalada Maligawa, the temple of the Sacred Truth, and a tour of the ancient capital of Sri Lanka, Anuradhapura.

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Had we utilized the much advertised 'Discover India' scheme we would have never completed the journeys in time. These advertisements are false and therefore illegal in countries like Canada and the U.S.A.

May I suggest the following to Indian Airlines:

a. Refrain from overbooking seats -- 179 and 180 on 'waiting list' is meaningless and frustrating.

b. Refrain from obliging personal friends of IA staff, V.I.P.'s and unscrupulous seat grabbers.

c. If there is any honest intent to promote tourism, honour confirmed bookings.

d. Purchase or lease more aircraft to meet contingency situations. The recent disruption of services to Sri Lanka was handled dismally - passengers were stranded in Sri Lanka.

e. Do not confirm bookings on fictitious flights e.g. 503 from Madras to Bangalore.

f. Introduce a stand-by system like in many countries where full passenger capacity is ensured without penalizing passengers having genuine cause to request last minute cancellation of bookings.

g. Authorize immediate refunds on unused tickets -- not M.C.O.'s which inherently deny interest on prepaid foreign funds.

h. Make an attempt to regain the lost confidence of travel agents worldwide. Many of them are embarrassed to offer service on behalf of Indian Airlines.

i. Provide better facilities at booking offices, in terms of manpower and accomodation to enable staff to provide satisfactory service to the public. Some perform admirably considering the volume of traffic.

It is not my intention to compare Indian Airlines with others who have access to more sophisticated methods to handle the volume of traffic. But, Indian Airlines holds a monopoly over air travel in India and must provide satisfactory service to the public.

P.A.M. Rao
Burlington, Ontario.

Cabinet crisis in U.P.

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The dropped ministers have alleged that the action had been taken against them at the behest of Deputy Prime Minister Charan Singh because they had not used their office for collecting funds for the recent Kisan (farmers') rally in Delhi.

Immediately after their resignations were accepted, the Chief Minister elevated all the six remaining deputy ministers to the rank of minister of state. His is now a two-tier ministry with 21 ministers and 22 ministers of state.

The decision of the erstwhile Jana Sangh group has evoked a sharp reaction in the erstwhile Bharatiya Lok Dal group leading to a vertical division in the state cabinet and the Janata legislature party.

At a hurriedly summoned meeting of erstwhile BLD legislators at the residence of Agriculture Minister Rajendra Singh, considered to be a close confidant of Charan Singh, the erstwhile Jana Sangh ministers were asked to resign forthwith as they had openly expressed lack of confidence in the chief minister.

At the same time the chief minister was asked to arrange for the ouster of these ministers from the cabinet.

Meanwhile, the four ministers, who had resigned, challenged the Chief Minister's assertion that he had the prerogative of dropping any minister he liked. This, they asserted, was an entirely new issue in itself which needed to be studied deeply and decided by top leadership of the party.

The Jana Sangh members have described as "irresponsible" the chief minister's reported statement that the two Jana Sangh Ministers had been dropped after consultations with Jana Sangh leaders.

While the chief minister continues to be confident of his majority support in the legislature party, the signature campaigners come before the party to seek a fresh vote of confidence.

Meanwhile, ten MPs in a statement in Delhi have demanded removal of Mr. Yadav from chief ministership.

Pakistan allows dual citizenship

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2. Question: Does that include Pakistanis who became Canadian nationals before the passing of the Dual Nationality Act in October 1972?

Answer: Yes. It includes all such Pakistanis who became Canadian nationals. All Pakistanis who became Canadian nationals before the passing of the Act are deemed never to have lost their Pakistan nationality. Of course, those who became Canadian nationals after the passing of the Act do not lose their Pakistani nationality. In short, all Pakistanis resident in Canada who acquire Canadian nationality, do not lose their Pakistani citizenship and are therefore dual nationals. The timing of the acquisition of Canadian nationality is immaterial provided the person was at the time of acquiring Canadian nationality, a Pakistan national.

3. Question: How can I show proof of my Pakistan nationality because I no longer possess my Pakistan passport which has been sent by the Canadian Home Office to the Pakistan Embassy for cancellation?

Answer: Application for a new passport should be accompanied by the following documents as proof of Pakistan nationality.

(i) Canadian nationality certificate
(ii) Pakistan Citizenship Certificate or -

(iii) Particulars of Pakistan passports surrendered to the Canadian House Office
(a) Name and father's name;
(b) Pakistan passport number; and
(c) Place and date of issue.

If the applicants cannot produce either of the documents mentioned at (ii) and (iii), above their cases will be referred to the authorities in Pakistan for verification of their national status and on receipt of a report, passports will be granted to them.

4. Question: Does the Dual Nationality Act affect my position with regard to the taking home of cars, tractors, goods and transfer of residence etc?

Answer: The Dual Nationality Act does not, in any way alter these rights.

A success story in coach building

Integral Coach Factory [ICF], Madras, a production unit under the Ministry of Railways, Government of India, is the biggest coach building factory in Asia, with an annual production capacity of 750 coaches of various types, designs and gauges.

ICF was set up in 1955, in technical collaboration with the Swiss Car and Elevator Manufacturing Corporation Ltd., Switzerland. Ever since, ICF has devoted itself exclusively to the manufacture of all welded, all-steel, stressed skin, light weight 'Integral' coaches embodying the latest techniques and development in coach building technology elsewhere in the world.

The range of ICF's products includes passenger coaches of all types - third, second and first class and mixed class coaches, kitchen cars, dining cars and pantry cars, brake and luggage vans, air-conditioned first class coaches, chair cars, 2-tier and 3-tier sleeper coaches, oscillographs cars, and track recording cars, military ward cars, double deckers, motor coaches and ordinary trailer coaches for Electric Multiple Units, diesel rail cars, and power cars.

ICF has, till the end of July 1978, manufactured 12,696 coaches of nearly 70 different designs, comprising 6,417 third/second class coaches, 1976 second class sleepers, 2195 first class coaches, 1478 Electric Multiple Units and about 630 other coaches of varied designs. These have proved to be thoroughly reliable and have given satisfactory performance under widely varying and severe climatic conditions.

ICF has also built special coaches for cross-country long distance and fast express trains with speed of 130 Kmph.

The design of coaches manufactured in ICF embody the latest concepts.

All Broad Gauge and Meter Gauge coaches are designed for an end squeeze load of 200 and 120 tons respectively.

The end construction is designed to withstand the shock load of 60 tons applied 30 cms about the buffer-centres or 30 tons distributed over its entire surface. Broad gauge coaches are designed for 45 tons vertical load distributed over the whole length of the coach.

ICF is turning out a large number of self-generating 46-berth second class air-conditioned sleeper coaches which have become popular in the Indian Railways. All the generating and air-conditioning equipment has proved highly reliable and indigenously manufactured.

ICF is currently engaged in the design and manufacture of coaches for the Calcutta Metro System. These trains will have features like dynamic braking, electronic car control, cab signalling, continuous automatic train protection, etc.

ICF has a well equipped Quality Control/Inspection Department, in addition to laboratories with most modern machines and equipments.

The Computer is widely used in ICF particularly in the field of Material Management, Production Control, Job Scheduling, Pay Roll Accounting, Costing, Stores Accounting, Inventory Control, Order Analysis, Vendor Evaluation and Coach Design.

ICF has carved out a name for itself in the international markets, having supplied 311 bogies and 166 fully furnished coaches of different gauges, sophisticated builds and varied designs to Burma, Taiwan, Thailand, Zambia, Philippines and Tanzania.

New export orders from Philippines, Uganda, Vietnam and Taiwan are now under execution.

With meticulous planning in regard to material and labour utilisation and through optimum production methods, ICF strives to keep the manufacturing cost of coaches the lowest possible and most competitive.

India can export food

New Delhi, (UNI) - India can become a major foodgrain exporting nation, if the population growth is checked and maintained at a "manageable level", according to Dr. Norman Borlaugh, the noble prize winning agricultural scientist and director of the International Wheat and Maize Improvement Centre (CIMMYT), Mexico.

Interviewed by UNI during his brief stopover in the capital last week, "the father of green revolution" praised India's "remarkable Recovery" from poor harvests and food shortage to a massive buffer stock in just four years. "No other country in the world could match this feat", though there were some countries like Turkey and Argentina who substantially improved the food output percentage, he pointed out.

Dr. Borlaugh, by evolving the dwarf high yielding wheat varieties responding to fertilisers, made the single biggest contribution in increasing the world food output in one of history's most crucial decades of droughts and food shortages.

Dr. Borlaugh, accompanied by Dr. R.C. Anderson, Associate Director of the CIMMYT, were in Delhi on their way back to Mexico.

"The world food situation," Dr. Borlaugh said, was good "right now," because of successive good harvest during the last three to four years and accumulation of stocks with many countries. "But one never knows when you are running into weather difficulties. We cannot be complacent in food production efforts", he cautioned. "Remember 78 RPT 78 million more mouths have to be fed additionally every year."

He saw India's food for work plans, as something aimed at improving the purchasing power of the poor.

Dr. Borlaugh said that India had the biggest wheat breeding and developing programme in the world. He also praised the leading role being played by the Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) here.

HISTORY OF SINDHI HINDUS

Continued from January 18th issue.

BY SHYAM KHUBCHANDANI

Sindhi Hindus - Hindus whose ancestors lived in the Province of Sindh now in Pakistan - are a vibrant and proud people. Their natural gift of adaptability has helped them add to their heritage and excel through changing times and migrations. Now numbering over three million, about 90 per cent reside in India, Bombay being the biggest centre. Rest are scattered all over the world, specially in large commercial centres; Hong Kong having the biggest complement.

By and large a community of business people, Sindhis have also excelled as professionals, administrators, educators and spiritual seekers. Underlying all their achievements is a proud awareness of their distinctive culture inherited through generations.

The current four part series of articles briefly describes the history of Sindhi Hindus. The historical events reflect the ruling powers and the prevalent political, social and religious conditions. Accordingly, this history is related under four distinct periods - Hindu (prior to 711 A.D.), Muslim (711 to 1843), British 1843 to 1947) and Modern (since 1947).

III BRITISH PERIOD (1843 to 1947)

Sir Charles Napier after annexing Sindh for the British in 1843 became its first governor. He made Karachi his capital and divided the province into three districts - Karachi, Hyderabad and Shikarpur. His rude and eccentric rule aroused criticism among his peers in Bombay and England. He resigned and left in 1847. Sindh was then merged into the province of Bombay and did not become a separate province until 1936. It, however, retained a semi-provincial status under a Commissioner. Number of districts gradually increased to eight. The Headquarters of Shikarpur District was moved in 1883 to Sukkar, then only a small town (Old Sukkar) as the British did not like the climate of Shikarpur. Karachi, the capital became gradually the premier commercial city attracting residents from other cities as well as inland.

During the initial years of British rule, several Gujaratis, Maharashtrains and Parsis were brought in from Bombay to fill junior civil service jobs. Many of them settled permanently in Karachi; they retained their own language and later set up their own schools. During the growth of Karachi as a commercial centre, several hundred Parsis and Marwaris came and settled there as traders.

The current Arabic script of Sindhi was introduced in 1850 replacing the Persian (or Gurmukhi) one. A public school was opened in each district town in 1853. The final high school exam, then called Matric, was held in Bombay, about four days journey by sea from Karachi. Of the first batch of five who took this exam as early as 1861, only one Chuhurmal Panjabi passed. He went on to Elphinstone College in Bombay to become the first modern Sindhi University Graduate in 1865.

Next 20 years produced only 16 Sindhi (including one Muslim) graduates. Dayaram Gidumal Shahani the most brilliant of them almost single-handedly collected donations and opened the first college in Sindh in 1887 - Sindh College in Karachi. Another of these graduates, Hiranand Advani along with his brother Nawalrai opened several schools, the first high school for girls as well as public hospitals. Both brothers distinguished themselves in social service and charitable work and were affectionately called Sadhus.

First Sindhi to go abroad for education was their younger brother Motilal Advani. After finishing M.A. in Calcutta, he went to England in 1892 to become a barrister. He served as a judge in Bombay for many years. Up to 1947, about 200 Sindhis went abroad for higher education, mostly to U.K. Thirteen among them joined the prestigious Indian Civil Service; one of whom Sunder Kirpalani later served as independent India's first High Commissioner in Ottawa. Several became prominent engineers both in Sindh as well as in other provinces and railways. Seven Mathrani brothers, children of Mathradas Jhaveri of Shikarpur, one of the first 16 Sindhi graduates, received engineering education abroad. This must probably be a world family record. One of the initial medical graduates, Dr. Hemandas Wadhwani studied medicine in Vienna and pioneered Red Cross Services in Sindh.

Higher education spread quite rapidly among Sindhi Hindus after 1920's. Several colleges, including Law College, Engineering College, Agricultural College, Teachers Training College and a Medical College in Sindh catered mainly to Hindus who at that time numbered about ½ million. Many private schools were run by charities. Prof. T.L. Vaswani (also known as Sadhu Vaswani) opened a college and several schools for girls called St. Mira. Combined with religious instructions, he aimed at a new generation of Sindhi women imbided with love of selfless service.

This widespread wave of education produced an intellectual and elite class mostly engaged in civil service. The power of a colonial style service fuelled their pride. They called themselves Amils - from Amaldars, meaning officials and prefixed "Diwan" to their names. Hyderabadi Amils being the most educated led others in all fields. This educated class from all over Sindh-Waziranis from Thatta, Butanis from Sewhan, Keswanis from Rohiri, Hingoranis and several others led in social awakening, educational activity and religious pursuits.

Main backbone of Sindhi Hindus, however, continued to be business. Shikarpuris with their old and expert tradition of finance and banking expanded into trade with Punjab, Balochistan and Peshawar. Many moved to Chaman and Quetta, then a large British military base. Their banking took them to Sukkur, Karachi and later to Bombay and Madras.

These rich Shikarpuris were also the first Sindhi entrepreneurs. First printing press was opened by Munshi Pokardas in Shikarpur in 1886. First modern steam-powered textile mill was also built there in 1908. Later, Sukkur the new district headquarters and Rohiri across the River became the industrial complex of Sindh with textile mills, glass factories, biscuit and candy factories, cement mill, tile factory and central railway workshop. J.B. Mangharam, renowned biscuit manufacturer was probably the most famous name in Sindh.

The flourishing industry and business produced the famous Chat centre in Sukkur - Siroo Jo Chowk, as well as delicious Halwa and Mithais from Shikkarpur.

However, the most outstanding business development of this period was the spread of a new brand of Sindhi traders all over the world; except North America where they were not allowed. They started initially in various locations in Indian and other British colonies as suppliers to British army centres and importers of products from Sindh.

But quickly, they switched to other exports and imports. Sindi Kothis (firms) sprang up by the turn of this century in Burma, Singapore, China, Japan, Middle East, Africa and Hawaii. Hard working, honest, frugal and reliable, these Sindhis numbering in their heyday about 10,000 came to be known as Sindworkies.

Some of the prominent Sindworkie firms were:

Vasiomal Assumal - Singapore
Kishenchand Chellaram - Africa
Watumal Brothers - Hawaii
Hotchand Khemchand - Indonesia
Pohumal Brothers - Europe

Mostly hailing from Hyderabad, they came home to marry and vacation. Their families mostly stayed behind in Sindh. They brought home about $20 million to spend every year.

Some of the above firms went into manufacturing. They suffered heavily during World War II when many Sindhis were killed or interned. In South East Asia many Sindhis helped finance the Indian National Army of Subbas Chander Bose.

Some of the Hyderabadi Sindhis also known as Bhaibands used their business talents at home, becoming successful railway and building contractors. They opened small industries and shops. Nanvani family of Bhai Pratap ran worldwide diversified business with manufacturing plants in various cities. He combined his business activities with social service, serving on Board of Governors of Colleges and University. His palatial house outside Hyderabad, called Maitri (Friendship) was home to Nehru and other famous men of those times.

In Karachi, Bhojwani Seths who for nearly two centuries constituted the richest family in Sindh were gradually overshadowed by Parsis and Marwaris. Bhojwanis also excelled in education; Alumal Bhojwani in 1867 becoming the second university graduate from Sindh. Tolaram and Janarkandas both prominent lawyers served for many years as Chief Officer and Deputy Mayor of Karachi Municipal Corporation respectively.

Locally in large cities, the Hindus mainly occupied themselves in small business. The main bazaars in all the eight district headquarters as well as other larger towns were predominantly Hindu. They operated jewellery stores, cloth shops, groceries and Soda-Lamlet joints. The places bypassed by railways like Thatta, Nowshahro gradually declined; their Hindu population migrating to Karachi and other cities with transportation facilities.

In villages, the Muslim population was predominant. They were mostly engaged in agriculture. However the local grocery was invariably owned by a Hindu. Islam prohibits interest, so Muslims had to borrow in their need from this Hindu. Over the years and especially after large scale irrigation became possible through Barrage (largest single such project in the world) which was completed in 1932, this Hindu business of money lending prospered. Even the land ownership gradually changed hands. Muslims first leased their lands to Hindu Zamindars who gradually bought them out.

Most Sindhi literature in this era comprised of translation of English, Russian, Arabic and Bengali classics as well as reinterpretation of Sindhi works of Shah, Sachal and Sami. Kauromal Khilnani, Dayaram Gidumal, Parmanand Mewaram and Lalchand Amardinomal the four stalwarts of literature during this period opened the world to Sindh.

Dayaram Gidumal a brilliant scholar, judge and educator was also a very humble man, writing under the pen name of "Zero" or "Sigma". His Mun-Ja-Chabuk, commentary on Jap Sahib, and Bhagwad Gita are classics of Sindhi prose. Serving away in Bombay, he pined for his Sindh in his famous poem "Oh Sindhri".

Poets Bedil and Bekas followed the sufistic tradition of Sachal. Lekhraj (Aziz) and Kishenchand (Bewas) ushered in the modern age writing in the style of Iqbal and Tagore. Four drama clubs - "Rabindrath" being the most famous - presented many topical, original as well as classical Sindhi plays. K.S. Daryani the most notable figure in Sindhi drama and film and M.U. Malkani wrote, adopted and performed in many of these plays.

The most prominent cultural as well as spiritual Messiah of this area was Bhagat Kanwerram. He sang and danced in a typical Sindhi opera form called "Bhagat". Because of his popularity, he was assassinated in 1944 by hirelings to allegedly incite friction between Hindus and Muslims.

The devotional song-drama and annual performance of Ram Lila were the most popular entertainment until the advent of movies in 1920's. With the latter, came the popular Sindhi singers like Master Chander.

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PREM BANDHAN

Directed by Ramanand Sagar. Produced by R R Nanda

Music by Laxmikant Pyarelal.

Ramanand Sagar is one of the Indian journalists, like B R Chopra, who took to films, first as a writer and later as director-producer, and made a name for himself. Among the half a dozen films he has directed, the best known are **Arzoo, Aankhen, Geet, Lalkar** and **Jalte Badan.** As a writer of musical romance and family melodramas, he made the Gemini much more well-known than before all over India and abroad - these films were lapped up by the audiences in the Fifties and Sixties. **Barsaat,** one of Raj Kapoor's best known films, was also written by Ramanand Sagar, rather he started his film career with it.

Sagar is the first to picturize and catch the natural beauty and snow-capped mountains of the valley of Kashmir in feature film, **Arzoo. Aankhen** had a topicality in the mid-Sixties: exposure of the anti-social and anti-national elements working to destroy the social, political and democratic fabric of India. **Geet** was, like **Arzoo**, a musical romance set in the hilly and tree-topped landscape of Himachal. **Lalkar** was a war drama, more in the realm of imagination than reality. Its "special effects" were so unspecial that even an urchin could spot the table-top constructions; instead of the real Himalayan mountainous valley infested by the enemy, the hideout was a miniaturization construction with toy planes flying in and out of it. The enemy in **Aankhen** was only suggested by the lady ring-leader's uniform, in **Lalkar** it was more pronounced - by their make-up and long moustache. (The first Indian film to name the enemy and present it with full recognition was Gemini's **Shatranj** which ran into difficulty with a section of the people.) **Jalte Badan** ('The Burning Bodies') spotlighted the evils of drug addiction and hold the pot-merchants wield on the younger generation and pop groups.

Prem Bandhan is a musical romance in the same genre as **Arzoo and Geet.** And like **Geet and Jalte Badan,** it is placed in rural India and the Metropolis - to win audiences in both the sectors.

The film of course bears the distinctive mark of Ramanand Sagar, in writing and direction. Except for its shine and polish, grandeur and splendour, it seems to be a film two decades old with emphasis as much on the oral as on the visual. Seeing it, one realises that the Hindi cinema has not made much of a transition from the musical romances of the Fifties and the early Sixties. A film-maker tends to repeat himself when he has nothing new to offer. That is so with Ramanand Sagar in **Prem Bandhan.** The 'events' chronicled in it are not new - rural romance between a mini-skirted and polished Santhal girl and a rustic, who later goes to the Metropolis and gets transformed into a sophisticate. Creating a lyrical love poem, as **Prem Bandhan** is, with all the outdoor locations, scenic spots and long and medium shots of lovers necking and pecking, cooing and wooing - is not considered any contribution to the Indian cinema, or anywhere else for that matter these days.

In the majority of the commercial films, finesse has degenerated into stereotype, and elegance corrupted into fashion. Contents are more important than mere money-power and showmanship these days to make people aware of their social, moral and ethnic pitfalls. Emotional involvements are of varying kinds - the romantic is only one of them and it is not of much consequence. Is the emotional shabbiness of Indian films a comment on the shabbiness of our political emotions?

Face and figure, they say, in arts are destiny. The two faces and figures of Rajesh Khanna and Rekha - first, the filmy phenomenon at one time, and second, the sultry siren of Hindi cinema - do make their contribution but only a small one to make the film tolerable.

The film is supposed to have introduced three faces: Rippy Singh, Arvind Trivedi and Madhu Singh. None of them glows with any human warmth. They are lost in the crowd of the rest of the cast comprising Keshto Mukherji, a favourite with Ramanand Sagar, Prem Narayan, A.K. Hangal, Lalita Pawar, Helen and the second pair of Maushumi and Vikram.

Laxmikant Pyarelal, the music duo's contribution to making the film a lyrical poem is neither flat nor sharp. The word "middling" would appropriately describe their musical score.

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stands pit her winning an applauding audience, since as an emotional actress she stands a class by herself.

Laxmikant Sharma (story) Vijay Kaul (screenplay) and Kadfar Khan (dialogue) have written the film script in which every scene is a drama and lasts longer than required. Fight sequences are masterly staged but in their longevity they throw cold water on one's excitement.

It is the sixth film in which Amitabh Bachchan dies. In **Parwana** he did not have much of a role, in **Deewar** he played the notorious Bombay smuggler. In **Sholay** he essayed the role of a bosom friend of Dharmendra. In **Kasme Vaade** and **Don** he sacrificed himself at the altar of bitchy success. Superstitious producers believe that Amitabh's death ensures the success of the film, though that was not so with **Kasme Vaade.** However, it might become true in the case of **Muqaddar Ka Sikandar.** But, then, herein Prakash Mehra's own muqaddar lies) with that of Amitabh's at play.

GUJARAT ACTOR, PLAY-WRITER DEAD

Bombay (IBS) - Well-known Gujarati actor-playwright-director Pravin Joshi (45) fell to his death January 19 when the railing of his balcony on which he was leaning collapsed, sending him hurling to the ground at his Napean Sea road residence.

A little while earlier, Joshi was discussing with his wife the speech he was expected to deliver on the occasion of the 125th anniversary of the Gujarati theatre.

Since 1956 Joshi had been an actor in the Indian National Theatre and a director from 1960. In all he took part in 2,000 performances - acting in 44 full-length and 30 one-act plays and directing 33 full-length plays. He was a recipient of scholarships from the British Council and the Rockefeller Foundation.

Ex-ministers unite

Trichur, (UNI) - An organisation of "ex-ministers of Kerala" will be formed soon.

There are over fifty "ex-ministers" in the state at present, former minister and one of the organisation founders, B. Wellington said.

The proposed organisation would work for resolving various problems confronting the state, Mr. Wellington said.

Foreign minister's talks

Minister of External Affairs Atal Bihari Vajpayee called on Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda in Lusaka on January 28. Mr. Vajpayee was on his way to Maputo, Mozambique, to attend a special session of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Nations.

During the one-hour talks, Mr. Vajpayee and Mr. Kaunda discussed bilateral relations and the situation in Southern Africa and expressed satisfaction over the progress in bilateral relations.

AIR Special Correspondent reported from Lusaka that an Indian delegation would visit Lusaka soon to pave way for a Rs. 100 million credit agreement with Zambia. Mr. Vajpayee invited a Zambian team of Railway experts to India to explore possible collaboration in construction of railway network in Zambia.

A.B. Vajpayee

SUGAR BUFFER STOCK

The Government has decided to create a buffer stock of 500,000 tonnes of sugar. This was announced by Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Surjit Singh Barnala a few days back. This is expected to provide relief to the industry and also impart liquidity to the financial position of the sugar industry enabling it to discharge its obligations better.

Poets corner

THE ATHEIST GOES THROUGH GOD

Drunk and blind in my thoughts,
I'm again far removed from
The distance of reality, and
The lightless shadows of
A love that never existed, flashes
Into the darkest doors of my sight.
And as I still face the unreal
World of material joys and desires,
I'm again removed into another world,
Where everything is so real,
And yet unreal, that I honestly believe,
Even the atheist would believe in God.

FREEDOM

Freedom!
Did I say I want freedom?
Age from this cruelty could not give me freedom.
Idleness I bear, but hate I don't
Morals I also live by.
With excuses of every kind you exist.
Your speech sticks in my heart still.

I built my life - I alone.
You lead my life
But I am the landlord here.

The people love me,
And the world is mine,
And yours.
I dream.
Soft and gentle speech I desire.
Love... the freedom of love, love's freedom...love
is it also called Freedom?

EACH DAY IS A DIFFERENT DAY

Slowly creeping out of bed.
Into the restless air and the exotic wind
Turmulating the world inside,
Not a creature moved, not a light to be seen,
No sound was heard upon the carpet so soft
And even softer felt as the angel feet was laid upon
Each part, so carefully, as if a thought
Was set before each step was made.
Quietly opening the bedroom door
Looking out - thin air
Walked through
Realizing the welcoming arm
Is no longer there.
Lost! Sad! Disappointed!
Regrets are many yet few;
Tears are plentiful and ever so often,
A wet eye is the picture of the day.
Turning away from the mirror
Avoiding the truth
Each day is a different day.

Nirmala B.W. Singh

Sensuous immortals in Ottawa

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by Jaya Subramaniam

This exhibition of the famous Hermanecker collection of Indian sculptures now put on at the National Gallery, Ottawa is remarkable in more than one way. It is representative of several schools or strands of Indian sculpture, the Gandhara school of North West India, the later Gupta schools of Uttar Pradesh, the various medi-eval schools, the Chola bronzes, the Nepali Tantric schools and some bronzes and sculptures from South East Asia as well. Secondly, the Gupta and the medi-eval items are perhaps the best to be found outside India in any museum. Thirdly, for sheer classical beauty, the items from the Indian mainland are breath taking.

Sensuous they are - though the three write-up chose one of the few anti-sensous items for illustration. Remarkably, this sensuousness is achieved partly by a flowing combination of sinuous curves in all the Indian pieces. They are sinuous immortals as well.

To an Indian connoisseur, the collection seems particularly fantastic for its Guptan and medieval pieces from Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh. The output from the classical Guptan and medieval ages was prolific but these were the very areas which were most exposed to Afghan and Turkish Muslim depredations for about five centuries. This collection represents some of the best and produces very mixed feelings in an Indian art-lover - of joy at seeing them and anger at seeing them far outside India.

Indeed each piece deserves an essay unto itself. The most remarkable are Balarama and Vaishamurti. The Adisesha serpent is more than a symbol of the Balarama incarnation; in the sculpture, it provides a balance - against his tilted feet (lost now by vandalism) - and his straight weapon, the plough. In the Vaishamurti also, the upturned conch in the left hand balancing the mace in the right - gives the sculpture the proper background to set off the main relief - of the boar bearing the earth goddess on its snout. The Mahishasura mardhani is equally remarkable for its balance as well as portraying just the moment of triumph. While the Sun god appears straight looking in great dignity, his alter-ego Marichi is dynamic with a slanting leg tense like a bowstring. But for sheer combination of grace and dignity, Saraswati playing the Veena with Tumburu and Hanuman accompanying her humbly - has few equals.

That the Gupta age and the early medi-eval age were periods of emulative creativity is suggested by the extraordinarily varied symbolism of some images.

One wonders whether the quotation from Auboyer near the entrance to the exhibition does not overstate the case. It is true that the Indian artist, sculptor or painter was never interested in photographically realistic representation of any object divine or human - and recreated in stone or bronze a mental image produced by concentrated contemplation. In terms of distinguishing the work of say the great bronze makers of the Chola empire from Benvenuto Cellini's - it is a valid guideline - but following the lead of Dr. Ananda Coomaraswamy, Western scholars on Indian art have overdone this ploy. The Auboyer quotation looks out of place plumb in the midst of the Gandhara Buddhistic items which are fairly realistic.

A chola bronze (Nagapattinam) of Bodhisattwa Maitreya looks exactly like Kalyana Sundareswara (Siva as bridegroom) except (or the lonely Buddhistic relic vessel symbol in the crown. The sculptor evidently ignores Buddhist iconography to create his own image of beauty. Even when following Hindu iconography, it is clear that the artist was influenced by his human environment; thus a Hoysala cast of countenance and general physiognomy of a god or goddess is very much a reflection of the Karnataka human types as a Cambodian Buddha or Deva is abstracted from the Khmer physiognomy.

The chola bronze collection is somewhat meagre and unrepresentative, thank goodness the best have stayed home away from the Ken of imperial looters and millionaire buccaneers. There are the usual Siva-parvati couple, with (Somaskanda) or without Skanda, Parvati alone, Kodanda Rama - and a few rare Buddhist bronzes from Nagappattinam. There are no (dancing Sivas) Nataraja - though a rare Vinadhara Dakshinamurti lends lustre to the show.

The Nepali bronzes are dominated by Buddhist or Hindu tantrism - a school of sculpture, I do not much care for - either in terms of themes or artistic style. However one member of this group has amply made up; the sinuous statue of seated Uma or Parvati, has all the grace of the chola bronzes plus a titillating quality in lieu of chola dignity.

The Javanese and Indo-Chinese schools, were represented well enough to bring out the Indian inspiration and the local variation. The crown should go to the large Hanuman-a matchless combination of devotion and dignity.

The exhibition is a very mixed experience; I swell with pride to realize that Indian art inspired, ennobled and held empire over all South East Asia and beyond; I hang my head in shame that such a collection should belong to a Mammon-worshipping Society and I am somewhat relieved that it is available for at least a few Indians to see.

Well, this collection will go back home to Los Angeles - and its sister - collection will become a permanent part of the National Gallery. I hope it is as good as the present. Congratulations to the curator and the Tannebaums who know what to do with money.

Nirodh

New Delhi (IBS) - Vending machines will shortly be installed at some petrol filling stations in Delhi, Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Bangalore to make the purchase of Nirodh easy and less embarrassing.

A Health Ministry spokesman said that the machines will supply the contraceptive at the drop of a 25-paise coin. If the experiment proved a success, such machines will be installed in other cities and towns, the spokesman said.

Freeze on five star hotels

New Delhi (IBS) - The Indian Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) has decided not to build any more 5-star hotels, instead it will expand accommodation in the existing ones.

It, however, plans to build a number of "Janata" and 3-star hotels. The "Janata" hotels to be named "Ashok Yatri Nivas" would charge between Rs. 15 and Rs. 25 per day for a room. The Construction of the first such nivas has already begun in New Delhi. It will have 550 rooms without frills and will serve "thali" meals in its restaurants.

Accommodation in the capital's prestigeous 5-star hotels, Akbar and Ashoka, is being expanded from 163 to 313 rooms in the former and from 486 to 890 in the latter.

FAIR TO PROJECT 'NEW INDIA'

New Delhi (IBS) - A fair that aims to changing the traditional Indian image in the west and project the country's technological and scientific achievements besides its culture, is being planned at Sandiego, California, next year.

"India Expo 1980" would be a trade-cum-cultural fair and would be planned as one of the world's biggest fairs projecting a single country, according to the organisations' president and managing director, Dr. Suzanne Henig.

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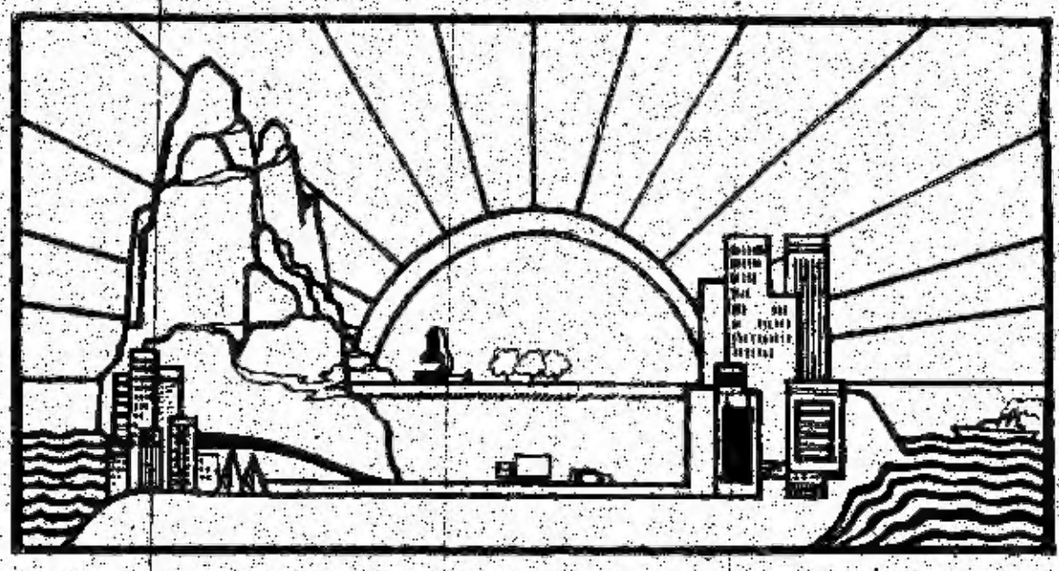

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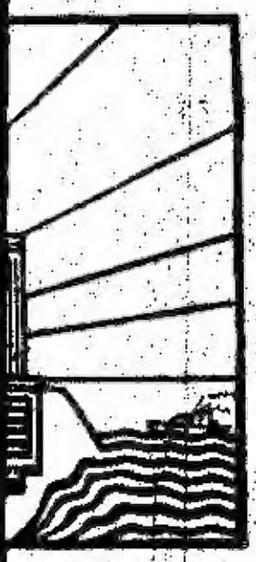

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Carleton courses on India

The western world is just beginning to discover the mysterious cultures of Asia. The fascination with eastern religions, so much a part of Asian cultures, is growing every day.

In Literature and the Arts in Asia the themes of Chinese and Indian literature, the symbols and mythology of Hinduism and Buddhism in art, and the distinctive architecture of the Islamic world are all explored.

In this series, four experts in Asian art and literature will do three sessions each on their own specialities.

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In the final part of the series, Islamic Art and Architecture in Asia, Elizabeth Merklinger, a Phd in Islamic architecture, will use some fascinating slides to explain the distinctive architectural and artistic features of the Islamic world.

The series begins March 5 and is co-ordinated by Elliot Tepper of Carleton's department of political science. Professor Tepper can be reached at 231-2697 or 225-6076.

Ethnic program on CBC

During the past year we have had the opportunity to show glimpses of the cultural variety of Metropolitan Toronto. Each time we have done so, the reaction has been overwhelming.

From this we have taken our cue, and commencing this month we have introduced a regular feature on NEWSHOUR each Monday between 6 and 7 p.m. that will focus on the ethnic richness of our community. We want to provide viewers with insights into the traditions, lifestyle and contribution individuals and groups are making to our city, province and country.

Talking on this project is Imrich Bajdu, a new Canadian who arrived in this country ten years ago from his native Czechoslovakia. He is interested in hearing from you and your organization as quickly as possible, and on a regular basis. What special cultural dates are on your calendar? How are people adjusting to Canadian society? What traditions...such as food and entertainment have been introduced to Toronto? What success has been achieved by individuals in business or labour? These are just a few of the areas of human interest we want all our viewers to share.

Please contact Imrich Bajdu at: CBC Toronto, 4th floor, 500 Church St., Toronto, M4Y 2C8. Tel: 925-3311, ext. 2219.

AIR to be autonomous

New Delhi, Feb. 8 (UNI) Information and Broadcasting Minister L.K. Advani said here All India Radio and Doordarshan (TV) would be made autonomous by the end of the year.

Speaking to students of journalism from Osmania University, Mr. Advani said the Government was committed to freedom of the media but freedom could not mean freedom from responsibility to Parliament.

He felt that the ownership pattern of the press should be changed to make it more independent. He expected from the press the composite role of an adversary as well as an ally. He said all the constraints to which the press was subjected during the emergency had been removed by the Government.

He visualised no major problems if autonomy was given to AIR and Doordarshan.

Asian strategy for UNCTAD

Colombo, Jan 28 (UNI): The Asian Nations have finalised a strategy to secure for the developing countries a greater share in the management of the world's economy during the fifth meeting of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to be held in Manila in May.

The three-day preparatory conference of the trade and commerce ministers of the Asian region which ended here, while endorsing the strategy, appointed a seven-nation group to coordinate the activities of the "group of 77" to achieve the objective.

The seven-nation group is headed by Yugoslavia and has as its members Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Iran, Saudi Arabia, the Phillipines, and a country from South Asia to be decided after consultations among the developed nations.

Vajpayee's assurance

New Delhi (IBS) - External Affairs Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee told the Lok Sabha that the Government "shall see" to it that Jammu and Kashmir was taken out of a "pernicious" list of 30 "colonial" territories mentioned in a United Nations document. The matter was being taken up with the UN Secretary-General.

According to the document, these territories are "still awaiting settlement as regards the implementation of United Nations' resolutions concerning the right to self-determination of peoples under colonial or alien domination."

Vajpayee disclosed that Tibet too had figured in the list "but has now been deleted."

RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION IN KANPUR INSTITUTE

New Delhi (IBS) - Radioactive contamination has been detected in the J.K. Institute of Radiology and Cancer Research here. Pending investigation, its radium chamber has been closed and all work involving radioactive materials suspended.

RICE FOR MAURITIUS

New Delhi, Feb. 9 (UNI). Mauritius will purchase an additional 12,000 tonnes of rice from India under an agreement signed between the two countries here.

The shipment will start from November.

Concorde flights

New Delhi (IBS) - The first supersonic Concorde flight over Indian territory took place on Wednesday, January 24 on a six-month trial basis. The Concorde flies 28 kilometres off the main coastline and 20 kilometres off Lakshdweep islands.

Noise level measuring equipment has been made available by the British Government for monitoring the noise level of the supersonic flights which start from London and end in Singapore via Bahrein, covering the distance in nine hours.

Vajpayee to China

It has been officially announced in New Delhi on January 31 that Minister of External Affairs Atal Bihari Vajpayee will visit China from February 12, 1979. The visit is at the invitation of Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua. Besides spending four days in Peking where he will have talks with the Chinese leaders, Mr. Vajpayee will also visit Shanghai and Canton.

He will be accompanied by Foreign Secretary Jagat Mehta and other senior officials of the External Affairs Ministry. He is expected to return to New Delhi on February 19.

The visit of Mr. Vajpayee, the first by a top dignitary in about two decades, was to take place from October 30 to November 6 last year but had to be postponed on account of Mr. Vajpayee's indisposition.

Kanpur test drawn

The sixth Cricket Test between India and the West Indies ended in a draw in Kanpur on February 8. The play was abandoned after just one ball was bowled after the tea break on the sixth and final day. There was no play on the fifth day since the Green Park ground was unplayable because of rain. Play was also curtailed by 50 minutes owing to failing light on the fourth day.

Following are the final scores: India - First Innings: 644 for 7 declared; West Indies - First Innings: 452 for 8.

India has won the series by 1 - 0.

Gujral panel on Urdu

New Delhi (IBS) - A committee headed by Inder Gujral (now India's Ambassador in Moscow) on Urdu has recommended modification of the three-language formula to give due importance to Urdu.

The report, first submitted in 1972 and kept secret by Mrs. Indira Gandhi's Congress Government, is now being studied by the Minorities Commission.

It has suggested second place for Urdu, or any other regional language, followed by English or any European language in the Hindi-speaking states.

DESAI FAVOURS PONDY MERGER

Madras (IBS) - Prime Minister Morarji Desai said here that there was no alternative to the eventual merger of Pondicherry and Karaikal with Tamil Nadu, Mahe with Kerala and Yanam with Andhra Pradesh because none of the popular ministries formed in the small, but located in three states, Union Territory had been stable.

Geneticist honoured

Dr. G.S. Sidhu, a geneticist, has been included among American Men and Women of Science. During his nomination, a council of scientists wrote that this honour is bestowed on those scientists who have contributed original findings which influence the quality of human life. The quality of scientific merit is judged by the level of recognition a scientist enjoys in once field of research.

Dr. Sidhu has given seminars and talks on invitations in various North American and other universities, e.g. University of Missouri, California, Saskatchewan, Cambridge and Punjab Agric. University et. He has participated in national and international symposia on invitations by various scientific organizations and societies which include, 2nd International Congress of Plant Pathology, Minnesota (1973), International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna (1976), The Agricultural Institute of Canada, Halifax (1976), The American Society of Nematologists, East Lansing (1977), 14th International Congress of Genetics, Moscow (1978) and 9th International Congress of Plant Protection, Washington (1979). His work has won him nominations to various academic societies.

Currently Dr. Sidhu is employed as a Research Scientist by Simon Fraser University where he is investigating the biochemical genetics of host-parasite complexes. He hopes to elucidate the process of infection by various infectious organisms such as fungi, nematodes, bacteria and viruses.

Besides science Dr. Sidhu is very much interested in literature and music. On the basis of his three books in Punjabi poetry, he is considered a poet of intellectual genre with global awakening. Professor Sant Singh Sekhon once

Dr. G.S. Sidhu

described him as a poet of "distinctively impressive style and fresh symbolism which are at their extreme when he writes about sufferings of the modern mind." He has a craze for composing music for songs and poems during his spare time and loves classical, folk and old film music. Besides music he has been a state level sportsman in soccer.

It is said that there is always a woman behind the success of a man. But Dr. Sidhu has disapproved this saying. However, he often wanders about his hidden achievements if there would have been a suitable partner in his life.

Inventors get awards

New Delhi (IBS) - Eight scientists have won Republic Day awards for meritorious inventions and financial assistance of Rs. 10,000 has been given to another - Nirmal L. Sehgal of New Delhi - for development of a multi-fuel device for automobiles.

The two top awards of Rs. 5,000 each have gone to Satyendra Narain Mathur of the Directorate of Survey, New Delhi, for developing a simple attachment for ordinary cameras to take stereo photographs, and to Ramesh Chandra Agarwal of Instrumentation Ltd., Kota, for making a miniature linear electric motor for use in process control instruments.

Jiwanesh Kumar Sinha, P. Kunhunny and Subhendru of the Central Mining Research Station, Dhanbad, have been jointly awarded Rs. 3,000 for developing a safety device for collection and disposal dust.

Shabhai Patel and A. Rajagopals of Ahmedabad Textile Research Association have been jointly awarded Rs. 2,000 for developing a fibre bundle strength tester.

G. Natarajan of Kerala has been given an award of Rs. 2,000 for developing a mechanical coal feeder for the Hoffman Kiln.

Kissan memo for Charan

New Delhi, Feb. 10 (UNI) - The All India Kissan Sammelan, of which Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister Charan Singh is the patron, is preparing a memorandum suggesting that the next union budget should reflect the real interests of the farmers.

The Kisan Sammelan chief, Raj Narain, told a news conference here that the memorandum would be submitted to the Union Finance Minister soon.

Raj Narain said the memorandum was being prepared on the basis of the 24-point charter of demands adopted by the Kissan rally on December 23 last.

The budgets so far had reflected the interests of the tatas and Birlas. Now it should reflect the interests of the poorest of the lot in villages, Mr. Narain said.

Thai order

Bhopal (IBS) - Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. (BHEL) has bagged an order for three hydro turbines of 28.8 megawatt each for the Pattani Project in Thailand in the face of international competition.

BHEL, which has made in-roads in the international market, has already despatched all the power equipment required for the first 120 mw set for Tripoli west power station in Libya in fulfilment of the Rs. 1,020 million turn-key contract. Equipment for the second 120 mw set for Libya is in advance stage of production.

EDUCATIONIST DEAD

Calcutta (IBS) - Prof. Tripurari Chakraborty, scholar and educationist, died here Tuesday, January 23. He was 82. His eminence as a teacher of history could not keep hidden his intense love for the country's ancient heritage and his deep knowledge of the epic and religious works. Possessing a phenomenal memory he delivered his lectures without the help of notes on Mahabharata, Ramayana, the Bhagvat Gita and the Upanishads.

He was also known as an interpreter of Tagore's philosophy.

Warning against black money

New Delhi, Feb. 10 (UNI) - President Sanjiva Reddy today asked the industrialists to realise the danger posed by the growth of black money and said that everyone should give serious consideration to this burning problem.

Laying the foundation stone of Punjab, Haryana and Delhi Chamber of Commerce and Industry building here, Sanjiva Reddy said corruption in elections, demoralisation in the public services and a deterioration of standards in public life were all related to black money and pressures which anti-social elements in the society could exert to disrupt national life.

As leaders in trade and industry, they should play a greater part in curbing these trends, he added.

Assn. for women in Ottawa

An association to serve the interests of Indo-Canadian women in the Ottawa area is in the making. It is named "the Indo-Canadian Women's Circle". At present the meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 8 p.m. at the Parkwood Hills Public School. Anyone interested in further details may call at 523-2858 or 733-9422.

Ban set aside

New Delhi (IBS) - The Supreme Court declared as invalid the Punjab Government's order banning the entry into the state of Baba Gurbachan Singh, head of the Nirankar mission, for six months.

A division bench allowed the writ petition by the Baba challenging the order, issued on September 27 last year, on the ground of non-compliance with the statutory requirement of furnishing the grounds for making the order.

Hindi's status

New Delhi (Ibs) - One of the five foreign Hindi scholars to receive "Vishwa Hindi Puraskar" this year, Prof. R.S. Mcgregor of the United Kingdom, said here that the status of Hindi would depend largely on the position occupied by India in the international sphere.

Others to receive the awards from Prime Minister Morarji Desai were: Prof. Odolen Smekel (Czechoslovakia), Prof. K. Doi (Japan), Kamala Prasad Mishra (Fiji) and Somdutt Buckhory (Mauritius).

Compulsory Sanskrit

Allahabad (IBS) - The one-day World Sanskrit Conference held here has demanded that the teaching of Sanskrit be made compulsory, either as an independent language or as a part of any other language, from primary to higher secondary examinations.

Inagurated by Mauritius Industries and Commerce Minister Dayanand Vasant Rai, the conference also demanded that Professors of Sanskrit should be appointed in all colleges for teaching the language and all efforts made by universities to facilitate research in various subjects in Sanskrit.

TRADE WITH FRANCE TO DOUBLE IN FOUR YEARS

New Delhi (IBS) - Jan. 15 - Trade between India and France is to be doubled in the course of the next four years by diversifying the trade.

No tilt towards West

New Delhi, Feb. 8 (UNI) - External Affairs Minister A.B. Vajpayee today denied the allegation that there was any pro-Western orientation or tilt towards the United States in the Janata Government.

Making this clear at a meeting of the consultative committee of the members of parliament attached to his ministry on the second day, Mr. Vajpayee said the steps to normalise and improve the relations with the U.S. had all been initiated by the previous Congress Government. "The present Government had continued the process and there was justification for branding the Government's policy as pro-West.

He said during the last two years India's relations with the Soviet Union and other socialist countries had grown stronger.

TEXTILE FIRMS WIN ORDERS WORTH RS. THREE MILLION

Frankfurt, (UNI) - Spot orders for textile goods worth Rs. three million were secured by Indian firms which participated in the four-day home furnishing textile fair here last month.

The cotton textile export promotion council organised the Indian participation at the fair.

Tax on emigrants suggested

Ahmedabad (IBS) - Justice P.N. Bhagwati of the Supreme Court has suggested the imposition of a tax on educated Indians migrating to foreign countries.

"The brain drain tax" was necessary for a developing country like India which required educated personnel for its own development.

A heavy dose of tax might prevent educated people from this country in settling abroad, he told a two-day symposium here.

LOTTARIO

On Saturday, January 27th, Eddie Campbell of Ottawa won the LOTTARIO Jackpot by selecting numbers 4, 9, 12, 19, 31 and 35.

JACKPOT WINNER $643,230.90

MEET THE WINNER!

What a way to celebrate a Birthday! Eddie Campbell of Ottawa turned 64 just 3 days before the draw. This retired CN railroad worker has loved games involving numbers all his life . . . and on January 27th, his six lucky numbers came up.

Will he continue to play LOTTARIO? "You bet I will", says Eddie. "It's a whole lot of fun."

Eddie Campbell of Ottawa

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Picking your own LOTTARIO numbers is fun. Choose birthdates, street numbers, licence numbers, social insurance numbers, bank account numbers, dog licence numbers . . . The variations go on and on.

So choose your favourite numbers and every Saturday night watch the LOTTARIO draw on TV . . . Six regular numbers and a bonus number are drawn every week.

Match those six regular numbers, in any order, and you're the JACKPOT winner, or, if someone else has also chosen the same numbers, then you'll share the prize.

But if you don't have all six numbers, there are still thousands of other chances to win.

If you get five of the regular numbers right and your sixth number matches the bonus number, you share in the big Second Prize Pool.

Or, if you match five of the regular numbers, your bundle of cash comes from the Third Prize Pool.

Match four regular numbers and you share in the Fourth Prize Pool.

And, if you match three of the regular numbers, you win $5. Not bad fun for a buck!

And there are bound to be thousands of winners every week, because the numbers you choose don't have to be in the same order as those drawn.

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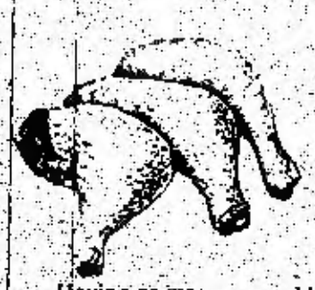

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KITCHEN KORNER

By Pranati SenGupta

Having so many vegetables in India, we hardly cooked any fruits. From a nutritional stand point, that's excellent because cooking destroys the vitamins. But on the otherhand, fruits offer variety and flavor. For instance nothing can compare with fresh, firm ripe bananas or mangoes for eating out-of-hand. They are excellent in dessert too. But why not try fruit with lobster or chicken? They give a special touch to the main dish. The color and texture of mango turns any dish to a gourmet meal. Mangoes are rich in Potassium and Vitamin A. Just half of a medium mango (110 calories) provides more than the daily requirement of Vitamin A. As well, it is high in fibre. Scientists say that Mangoes can prevent cancer of the colon and several other diseases caused by a lack of roughage in the diet.

One of the best and most delicious chicken dishes is mango chicken. The dish has nothing to do with curry but, rather, with the appearance of the dish. When served the dish bears a reasonable resemblance to curried chicken and it is one of the most delectable ways of serving chicken. To prepare it, fresh ripe but firm mango is desirable for the texture, canned mango is equally good for flavor. One of the flavorings that gives the dish much of its character is a fairly substantial amount of thinly sliced onions. Try it. It's delicious! At a later date, I will give a Mango Lobster recipe

MANGO CHICKEN

1 roasting chicken, about 3½ to 4 pounds or 4 to 5 chicken legs
¼ cup ghee or butter
2 large onions, thinly sliced
3 fresh medium sized mangoes, peeled and seeded and sliced or 1 large can (28 oz) mango, drained
1 tsp. freshly grated lemon rind
¾ cup chicken stock
salt and pepper
3 tbsp. fresh lemon juice
¼ tsp. ground nutmeg, black pepper
½ cup (18%) light cream
Paprika

Cut the whole chicken into serving size pieces. Prepare chicken stock with back and neck. Fry the chicken pieces in ¼ cup of ghee until golden brown. Heat remaining ghee in a flameproof casserole dish and saute the sliced onion until golden, sprinkle little sugar over onions. Add fried chicken pieces, nutmeg, lemon rind and stir to mix. Add mango, chicken stock, salt and pepper to taste. Cover and bake in a 350F. oven for 1 hour or until the chicken is tender. Remove the chicken and keep warm. Add the lemon juice and season to taste. Gradually add the cream and allow to come to a gentle simmer. Do not boil then thesauce will curdle. Pour the lovely sauce over the chicken, sprinkle with paprika and chopped coriander leaves. Serve hot with buttered rice.

MUSHROOMS

Mushroom, called the food of kings, is not a very familiar ingredient in the Indian kitchen. Mushrooms, fresh, frozen or canned can give a meaty goodness to a winter meal. Half a pound of fresh mushrooms is equivalent to one 10 oz. can of drained mushrooms. Thanks to cultivated varieties mushrooms are available year round.

The vegetable markets are selling them for 89 to 99 cents a pound while the supermarket still sells the old (8 oz.) packaged mushrooms for 99 cents. Wherever you live, try to find a vegetable market where mushrooms will not only be cheaper and fresh but also where you can pick the size for the purpose you have in mind: large ones for stuffing, medium ones for curry or the small button size for salads.

Buy mushrooms as fresh as possible. Select them with nice neat white caps, and with stems just a little darker. The flesh should be firm, and quite unblemished. Caps may be quite firmly attached to stems. Avoid those that are stretched widely away from the stem; this means less flavor. Use mushrooms quickly to get the most out of them or freeze the extra ones rather than try to keep them in the refrigerator too long. Unwashed mushrooms can be stored in the refrigerator for only few days. But keep them loose in a paper bag in the refrigerator crisper. Some cooks recommend that mushrooms be wiped rather than washed before using. But I find they need rinsing, especially the local variety. But since a mushroom is already more than 90 per cent water, a lengthy soaking will only add to the liquid content. Then when heated this water is lost along with nutrients, flavor, and tenderness. So give them a quick rinse under cold, running water while you rub the dirt off with your fingers. Dry thoroughly on paper towels. Do not peel or discard stems because with the part you discard goes the most intense flavor. Mushrooms can be frozen without cooking. Clean and dry first. You can leave them whole, sliced or chopped. Spread them in a single layer on a cookie sheet. Put the sheet in the freezer. When they are frozen, pack in airtight freezer bags or containers. The mushrooms will be loose packed, so use as much as you need and put the rest back in the freezer. To use frozen mushrooms, do not thaw; add them from the freezer to the hot liquid or hot fat and cook at a high temperature. There is no difference in flavor or texture between fresh and frozen mushrooms. But there is a lot of difference between fresh and canned mushrooms. Mushroom is an ingredient that can be used in so many ways in so many dishes. It adds flavor to the dish. It is delicious as salad or as a dipping vegetable. Large caps can be stuffed for appetizer and the stems can be chopped and used for soups or gravy. Try them in your meat or vegetable curry or fry them with rice. They are superb. Cut mushroom darkens quickly when exposed to air. So sprinkle a little lemon juice on them. It also darkens in aluminum pans, so try other metal pans.

Anti-reservation stir

Lucknow, (UNI): The anti-reservation agitation in the eastern and central regions of Uttar Pradesh continues in a sporadic form.

A report from Basti says that slogan-shouting students attacked the Babhanan railway station and locked themselves in the office room of the station master. The police had to break open the door to disperse them.

According to a report from Banda, a group of local college students raided the railway station at Bargarh, 140 km away on the Allahabad Banda border on Jan. 15 and smashed a railway cabin. They later entered the veterinary hospital and set in on fire. Students also went on a ramapage in the Bargarh bazar. The students have boycotted their half-yearly examinations.

Varsities use regional languages

New Delhi (UNI): Eighty-three out of 115 Universities and institutions deemed to be universities are using the regional languages as media of instruction at different levels, including honours, post-graduate and professional courses excepting the MBBS.

This information is contained in the report of the working group appointed by the university grants commission for the introduction of regional languages as the media of instruction says an official release.

Genesis of the national dress

New Delhi, (UNI): Indian National Dress — closed collar jacket and trousers — originated from a suit T.N. Kaul wore in 1953.

The Former Foreign Secretary says this in his book "diplomacy in peace and war" published three days ago.

A few days after his return from China, where he was the first secretary in the Indian embassy, he was asked by Nehru to accompany him on a tour of the North East.

He was waiting for Nehru at Delhi Airport. Seeing him in a closed collar jacket and trousers Nehru said teasingly: "ah, so you have turned Chinese?"

Mr. Kaul replied that the Chinese uniform had a detached double collar while his followed the Indian collar, stitched and single.

Nehru examined his collar closely and said: "you may be right".

A few weeks later N.R. Pillai, then secretary General in the External Affairs Ministry barged into Mr. Kaul's office and said, "so, Tikki you are the culprit. You have influenced the Prime Minister in ordering your closed coat and trousers as our formal dress".

US BANKER'S PRAISE FOR INDIA

New Delhi (IBS) - American bankers think highly of India's economic development in the next decade or so, according to Jean de Rochefort, vice-president of the Irvine Trust Company, the seventh largest bank in the United States.

Rochefort said here that this assessment was based on the premise that the Indian "economic situation is basically sound." He is here to explore possibilities of promoting business.

Indira not keen to be PM

New Delhi, Feb. 9 (UNI) - Congress (I) Chief Indira Gandhi has said that personally she does not want to become the Prime Minister again and had even thought of resigning after the Bangladesh war.

"But, changing situations prevented me from doing so," she told students of Journalism from Osmania University who met her here.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi held the RSS and Jana Sangh responsible for the recent violent incidents all over the country. "We (Cong-I) don't believe in violence ideologically and practically," she added.

Commenting on the proposed Congress unity, she said it was not a question of merger but of "coming together" to fight against Janata's misrule.

Commenting on the induction of Charan Singh into the cabinet Mrs. Gandhi said "it makes no difference." The infighting in Janata will continue." However she ruled out any possibility of a snap mid-term poll.

Newcomers guide in Ontario

Toronto - The Ministry of Culture and Recreation's 1978 revised edition of the Newcomers Guide to Services in Ontario is now available.

This guide is intended to help newcomers adjust to their new surroundings in Ontario. It may also be used as a resource/orientation tool for counsellors and teachers of newcomers.

Topics such as "Your First Days in Toronto", how to get information on language and citizenship classes, employment and education, health, social services, housing, Ontario laws, money management, automobiles, culture and recreation and "becoming a Canadian citizen" are discussed.

Translated versions of the 1978 edition will be available in Arabic, Chinese, Punjabi, and Urdu by March 1979. In early 1980 French, Spanish, Portugese, Korean, Greek and Italian translations will be available.

Newcomers Guide is free of charge to all newcomers and their teachers and counsellors. Books are distributed at airport reception areas and other ports of entry.

Quebec Minister praises India's struggle

Montreal - Jacques Couture, the Quebec Minister of Immigration, in a speech here praised India's struggle for self determination.

The speech was part of India's Republic Day celebrations sponsored by the India-Canada Association in Montreal.

The Quebec minister expressed his admiration for Mahatma Gandhiji.

Jacques Couture also told the Indian audience that the learning of French was essential to gain equality in Quebec Society.

The meeting was held in the Town of Montreal. A large number of Indian people and others attended the function.

The minister said that people have been manipulated in their struggle for self determination. He hopes that it won't happen in Quebec in its present attempts.

New rail link

New Delhi, Jan 27 (UNI): The Planning Commission's Committee on railways has cleared the proposals for development of new rail links in the north-eastern region.

According to an official release, the Government has decided to undertake and complete these rail links under the sixth plan period.

The proposed lines are: Dharmanager-Kumarghat, Gauhati-Burnihat, Silchar-Jiribam, Balipara-Bhalukpong, Amguri-Tuli and Lalaghat-Bhairabi. The total estimated cost of these projects will be Rs. 502.9 million.

Rail facilities will also be extended in the tribal areas in Bihar and Madhya Pradesh.

INDIAN TEA FETCHES HIGHEST PRICE

Calcutta (IBS) - Indian tea enjoyed the highest average price in the international market in 1978 at 123.12 pence in the London auction sale, followed by Kenya (120.09) pence and Sri Lanka (115.05).

The average per kg world price at 113.93 pence was lower in 1978 as against 120.29 pence in 1977.

TAXMEN RAID MRS GANDHI'S FARM

New Delhi, (UNI) - Income Tax Department officials raided former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's South Delhi farm at Mehrauli, near here, but reportedly failed to recover any hidden or incriminating documents.

Coop banks doing well

Bombay, (UNI): The working capital in the cooperative credit institutions in the country has crossed the Rs. 100,000 million mark.

At the end of June 1977, the working capital reached a level of Rs. 103,780 million. This was Rs. 161,110 million higher than the preceding year. The membership of the cooperative bodies increased by five million to 66 million.

This is disclosed in the statistical statements relating to the cooperative movement in India (1976-77) published by the Reserve Bank of India.

Of the total working capital, deposits were Rs. 28,840 million (28 percent), and owned funds (comprising paid-up capital and reserves) amounted to Rs. 16,210 million (16 percent).

1979 - OFFICIAL LANGUAGES YEAR

New Delhi (IBS) - The Janata Government, accused of trying to hasten the pace of the use of Hindi in official work, has decided to celebrate 1979 as the "Official Languages Year."

The stated purpose is to promote the use of not only Hindi but also other languages declared official by the States.

The suggestion of the official languages year emanted from the All-India official Languages Conference held here in March "to create a feeling of seriousness in the use of official languages."

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2,000 CENTENARIANS IN ANDHRA

Hyderabad (IBS) - There are about 2,000 centenarians in Andhra Pradesh, according to a recent demographic study. They are stated to be physically "fit" and "alert".

Recommendations on immigrant women

The Canadian Advisory Council on the Status of Women meeting here in Ottawa this week examined some of the problems encountered by the immigrant woman in the Canadian labour force.

The CACSW finds that governments at all levels, employers, and citizens who know about and profit by these conditions, as well as those who have not cared to inform themselves, are together responsible for an exploitative situation which all Canadians should correct without further delay.

Members of the CACSW believe that it is the responsibility of the federal government, which encourages immigration, to ensure that the immigrant woman has the opportunities to learn about her rights, Canadian culture, and the official language of the region in which she lives. the CACSW recommends that these objectives should be pursued more consistently and realistically, especially in the case of women.

With regard to the subject of immigrant women in the labour force, the CACSW believes that this will result in more opportunities for entry and advancement of immigrant women in the Canadian labour force.

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